

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS REGIONAL CONSULTATION SESSION DATES

The Ministry of Education is seeking input toward the development of new graduation requirements that will better reflect the competencies, skills and knowledge that students need to be successful in the 21st century.

An Advisory Group of experienced educators has been established to make recommendations based on feedback from regional consultations. Advisory Group members represent each of the six British Columbia School Superintendents Association (BCSSA) regional chapters and span many roles within the education system. The Advisory Group members are:

BCSSA Region & Included School Districts	Advisory Group Member & Contact Email
Region: North School Districts: #27, #28, #49, #50, #52, #54, #57, #59, #60, #81, #82, #87, #91, #92	Mike McDiarmid Assistant Superintendent of Schools, School District #54 (Bulkley Valley) Email: m.mcdiarmid@sd54.bc.ca
Region: East-West Kootenays School Districts: #5, #6, #8, #10, #20, #51	Andy Leathwood Director of Innovative Learning Services, School District #8 (Kootenay Lake) Email: aleathwood@sd8.bc.ca
Region: Thompson-Okanagan School Districts: #19, #22, #23, #53, #58, #67, #73, #74, #83	Myron Dueck Vice Principal, Penticton Secondary School, School District #67 (Okanagan Skaha) Email: mdueck@summer.com
Region: Fraser Valley School Districts: #33, #34, #35, #42, #75, #78	Jan Unwin Superintendent of Schools, School District #42 (Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows) Email: jan_unwin@sd42.ca
Region: Metro School Districts: #36, #37, #38, #39, #40, #41, #43, #44, #45, #46, #48	Lynn Archer Director of Instruction, School District #41 (Burnaby) Email: Lynn.archer@sd41.bc.ca
Region: Vancouver Island School Districts: #47, #61, #62, #63, #64, #68, #69, #70, #71, #72, #79, #84, #85	Greg Johnson District Principal of Aboriginal Education and Alternate Programs, School District #72 (Campbell River) Email: greg.johnson@sd72.bc.ca

Advisory Group members or their designates will be hosting consultation sessions throughout the province this fall to collect information. Based on information gathered at these sessions, Advisory Group members will develop recommendations for new graduation requirements and submit them to the Ministry in January, 2013. Each member will prepare a report for his or her region.

To date, the following consultation sessions have been arranged:

REGION: NORTH		
WHEN	WHERE	CONTACT
September 24	Alexis Creek	Harj Manhas, Assistant Superintendent Email: harjinder.manhas@sd27.bc.ca
September 25 7:00 p.m.	Dawson Creek	Keith Maurer, District Principal Email: Keith_Maurer@sd59.bc.ca
September 26 7:00 p.m.	Chetwynd	Keith Maurer, District Principal Email: Keith_Maurer@sd59.bc.ca
October 2	Vanderhoof	Manu Madhok, District Principal Email: mmadhok@sd91.bc.ca
October 3	Fort St. John	Larry Espe, Superintendent Email: lespe@prn.bc.ca
October 4	Fort St. James	Manu Madhok, District Principal Email: mmadhok@sd91.bc.ca
October 10 7:00 p.m.	Fraser Lake	Manu Madhok, District Principal Email: mmadhok@sd91.bc.ca
October 29	Smithers	Mike McDiarmid

REGION: EAST-WEST KOOTENAYS		
WHEN	WHERE	CONTACT
September 26	Grand Forks	Maxine Ruzicka, Director of Instruction Email: maxine.ruzicka@sd51.bc.ca
October 1	Castlegar	Bill Ford Email: bford@sd20.bc.ca
October 11	Cranbrook	Diane Casault, Director of Student Learning Email: diane.casault@sd5.bc.ca
October 25	Nakusp	Terry Taylor Email: ttaylor@sd10.bc.ca

REGION: THOMPSON-OKANAGAN		
WHEN	WHERE	CONTACT
September 24 5:30 p.m.	Vernon	Joe Rogers, Director of Instruction Email: jrogers@sd22.bc.ca
September 27 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.	Penticton	Myron Dueck
October 2	Keremeos	Marcus Toneatto, Principal, Similkameen Elementary Secondary School Email: mtoneatto@sd53.bc.ca
October 3	Merritt	Karen Goetz, Vice Principal, Merritt Secondary School Email: kgoetz@sd58.bc.ca
October 4	Princeton	Karen Goetz, Vice Principal, Merritt Secondary School Email: kgoetz@sd58.bc.ca
October 9 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.		Norm Bradley, Director of Instruction Email: Norm.Bradley@sd23.bc.ca
October 9	Oliver	Marcus Toneatto, Principal, Similkameen Elementary Secondary School Email: mtoneatto@sd53.bc.ca
October 10	Ashcroft	Teresa Downs, Superintendent Email: tdowns@gw.sd74.bc.ca
October 17	Lillooet	Teresa Downs, Superintendent Email: tdowns@gw.sd74.bc.ca
October 22	Kamloops	Bill Hamblett, District Principal Email: bhamblett@sd73.bc.ca

REGION: FRASER VALLEY		
WHEN	WHERE	CONTACT
October 25 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.	Abbotsford	Jan Unwin

REGION: METRO		
WHEN	WHERE	CONTACT
October 4	Burnaby	Lynn Archer
October 9	Burnaby	Lynn Archer
October 10	New Westminster	Sandra Pace, Director of Instruction Email: space@sd40.bc.ca
October 16	Howe Sound	Peter Jory, Director of Instruction Email: pjory@sd48.bc.ca
October 17	Surrey	Jordan Tinney, Deputy Superintendent Email: tinney_j@sd36.bc.ca
October 23	Surrey	Jordan Tinney, Deputy Superintendent Email: tinney_j@sd36.bc.ca
October 25	Coquitlam	Sylvia Russell, Assistant Superintendent Email: srussell@sd43.bc.ca
October 29	Delta	Doug Sheppard, Assistant Superintendent Email: dsheppard@deltasd.bc.ca
November 6	Richmond	Wendy Lim, Assistant Superintendent Email: wlim@sd38.bc.ca
November 8	Sunshine Coast	Phil Luporini, District Principal Email: pluporini@sd46.bc.ca
November 19	North Vancouver	Pius Ryan, Assistant Superintendent Email: pryan@nvsd44.bc.ca
November 21	West Vancouver	Lynne Tomlinson, Director of Instruction Email: ltomlinson@sd45.bc.ca
November 22	Vancouver	Maureen Ciarniello, Associate Superintendent Email: mciarniello@vsb.bc.ca

REGION: VANCOUVER ISLAND		
WHEN	WHERE	CONTACT
October 15 4:00-7:30 p.m.	Mill Bay	Greg Johnson
October 22 4:00-7:30 p.m.	Campbell River	Greg Johnson
November 8 4:00-7:30 p.m.	Victoria	Greg Johnson